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County of Harris) SS:
State of Texas)

Statement of Helen Kay Smith:

I have been asked for any knowledge ~~if~~ ^{that} I ~~am~~ ^{may} have of Jack Rubenstein alias Jack Ruby and Lee Harvey Oswald. This statement is voluntarily made by me in the presence of my attorney, Mr. W. G. Smith, of my own free will and accord.

I am 24 years of age and reside at 4409 Greeley Street, Houston, Texas. My occupation is that of Exotic Dancer, and I usually work in Houston or out of state.

I met Jack Rubenstein, also known as Jack Ruby, in Dallas, Texas, about 1957 at the Club Vegas, which he then operated. I went to the Club Vegas with Juanita Dell Phillips, also known as Candy Bar, to dance. Someone at the table pointed out Jack Ruby to me.

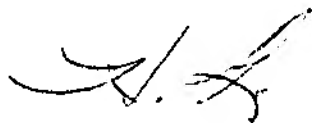
I later saw Ruby at the Club Vegas on two or three occasions over a period of the next year.

The next time I saw Ruby was during the Christmas holidays of 1961 at the Carosel Club in Dallas. On this occasion I went to the Carosel with Torri Shane also known as Evelyn Webster, another dancer. As we entered the club he was standing around near the door and I spoke to him at that time. He later came to our table, ~~and~~ sat down and talked to us briefly and asked me where I had been working. Although we were at the club for approximately an hour I talked to Ruby for only a few minutes. I have not seen him since that time. I would also like to add that I have not been in Dallas, Texas since about July of 1963.

I had never heard of Lee Harvey Oswald prior to the assassination of President Kennedy on November 22. I did see pictures of Oswald in the newspapers and on TV and I never, to my knowledge, saw the man in person.

I have been asked if I ever attended a party at which Jack Ruby and Lee Harvey Oswald were present. My answer to that question is absolutely no. I ~~never~~ have never attended a party at which they were present or at which either of them were present.

During the two-week period ending November 30, 1963 I was employed at the Tam O'Shanter on Old Spanish Trail from 2:30 P. M. until 6:00 P. M. I also worked at the Midnight Lounge, 401 Westheimer Street, Houston, from ~~at~~ 8:30 P. M. until 12:00 midnight. During the first week ending November 23 I arrived at the Midnight



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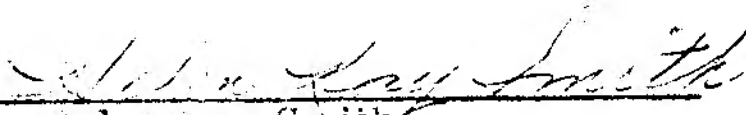
Lounge at approximately 7:30 P. M. The latter week ending November 30 I arrived at approximately 8:00 - 8:30 P. M. because my show started at 8:30. I did not appear at the airport on November 21 when the President and Vice President arrived in Houston. I did not attend the dinner at the Coliseum on the evening of November 21.

On the afternoon or evening of November 22 after learning through the news media of the assassination of President Kennedy I did not discuss Jack Rubenstein also known as Jack Ruby.


I have been asked if I know an attorney by the name of Barbara L. Welz, who reportedly has a wooden leg and resides in Dallas, Texas. I do not know this lady and to the best of my knowledge I never heard of her before this date. I did not have a discussion with anyone regarding Barbara L. Welz on the afternoon or evening of November 22, 1963. During the afternoon or evening no one mentioned the names Jack Ruby or Barbara L. Welz in my presence.

I would like to add that my feelings toward President Kennedy were friendly and if there is any way I can help in clearing up any of the aspects of his assassination I would gladly to so.

I was present when this statement was dictated and helped in same and have read and had a chance to read and had a chance to correct this statement before signing and it is the truth to the best of my knowledge and belief.


Helen Kay Smith

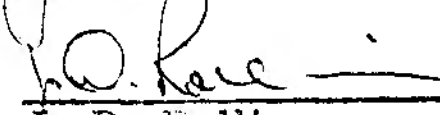
Subscribed and sworn to before me this sixth day of December, 1963.


Lane Bertram, Special Agent In Charge
U. S. Secret Service

WITNESSES:


W. G. Smith


Lt. Jack Revill


J. D. Rollins